

**AMENDMENT TO H.R.**  
**OFFERED BY MR. STRICKLAND**

**(Amendment to the Beneficiary Improvement and Protection  
Act of 2000)**

At the appropriate place insert the following:

1 **SEC. \_\_\_\_.** **MEDICARE PAYMENT FOR APPROVED PROFES-**  
2 **SIONAL EDUCATIONAL PROGRAMS FOR PSY-**  
3 **CHOLOGISTS.**

4       Effective for cost reporting periods beginning on or  
5 after October 1, 2000, for purposes of payment to pro-  
6 viders under the medicare program under title XVIII of  
7 the Social Security Act for costs of approved educational  
8 activities (as defined in section 413.85 of title 42, Code  
9 of Federal Regulations), such approved educational activi-  
10 ties shall include professional educational programs for  
11 psychologists.